Domino (rapper)

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For the Hieroglyphics member, see Domino (producer).

Shawn Antoine Ivy,[1] known as **Domino**, (born 1972 in St. Louis, Missouri), is an American rapper.[2] Being a Crip himself, he auditioned for the Bloods & Crips project in the early 1990s.[3] He is the first rapper, in order of appearance, in the title track *Bangin' on Wax* on the album of the same name. His debut album, *Domino*, spawned two major hits in the United States,[4] including the Top 10 hit "Getto Jam", which reached No. 7 on the *Billboard* Hot 100. Several further albums were released, and Domino continued to score hits on the R&B charts into the 2000s (decade).

Domino	
Birth name	Shawn Antoine Ivy
Also known as	Genuine Draft
Born	1972 (age 48–49) St. Louis, Missouri, United States
Origin	Long Beach, California
Genres	Hip hop
Occupation(s)	Rapper Producer Singer
Years active	1992–present
Labels	Outburst Records, Def Jam, Columbia Records, MCA Records, Thump Records,
Associated acts	Bloods & Crips

In 1996, Domino appeared on the Red Hot Organization's compilation CD, *America is Dying Slowly*, alongside Biz Markie, Wu-Tang Clan, and Fat Joe, among many other prominent hip hop artists. The CD, meant to raise awareness of the AIDS epidemic among African American men, was heralded as "a masterpiece" by the *Source* magazine. He also performed on many soundtracks, including *The Show*, *The Mask*, *Clueless*, *Blankman*, *Tales From the Hood* and *Spooky House*.

While his self-titled debut album was critically and commercially well-received, many were quick to point out that his style was similar to that of fellow Long Beach resident and up-and-coming Dr. Dre protégé, Snoop Doggy Dogg. He is the first hip-hop artist to perform a No. 1 rap single which contained melodic hip-hop throughout the entire song.[5] Three years later, Domino released his second album, *Physical Funk*, which failed to become as successful as its predecessor. The video for title track "Physical Funk" was a No. 1 video on MTV but the album was delayed[*clarification needed*] before its release due to Def Jam (Russell Simmons record label) dropping Outburst Records (the record label Domino was released on) before the album was released.[*citation needed*] He is a born again Christian.[6]

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Year	Album	Peak chart positions		Certifications
		U.S.	U.S. R&B	
1993	***Domino*** • Released: December 7, 1993 • Label: Outburst / Def Jam	39	10	• US: Gold[7]
1996	***Physical Funk*** • Released: April 2, 1996 • Label: Outburst / Def Jam	152	34	
1997	***The World of Dominology*** • Released: November 4, 1997 • Label: Caw Records/Cyber Records/Domino/DCC Compact Classics	—	—	
1997	***Dominology*** • Released: September 2, 1997 • Label: Domino Entertainment/Thug Records	—	—	
1999	***Remember Me*** • Released: February 9, 1999 • Label: K-Town Records	—	—	
2001	***D-Freaked It*** • Released: June 19, 2001 • Label: Slipdisc	–	95	
2001	***Getto*** • Released: August 28, 2001 • Label: Pioneer	–	–	
2004	***Domination*** • Released: October 26, 2004 • Label: Thump Records	–	–	
2014	***Get It Right*** • Released: January 21, 2014 • Label: Premium Sol Entertainment	–	–	

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Year	Single	Chart positions			Album
		U.S. Hot 100	U.S. R&B	U.S. Rap	
1993	"Getto Jam"	7	4	1	*Domino*
1994	"Sweet Potatoe Pie"	27	13	3	
	"Money is Everything"	-	-	-	
	"Long Beach Thang"	-	-	-	
1995	"Tales from the Hood"	103	51	8	*Tales from the Hood*
1996	"Physical Funk"	87	46	11	*Physical Funk*
	"So Fly"	112	64	17	
2001	"Like That"	–	88	8	*D-Freaked It*

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	Discography	
Founders	Russell Simmons · Rick Rubin	
Subsidiaries	ARTium Records · Def Jam South · Def Soul · Disturbing tha Peace · GOOD Music · Radio Killa Records · Roc-A-Fella Records	

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